

**Master Plan Implementation Committee
Tuesday, October 8, 2013 at 6:30p.m
Room 116, Walpole Town Hall**

Minutes

Attendees: Dick Power (Vice Chairman), Mike Amaral, Al Goetz, Dominick Ianno, Patrick Shield, Roger Turner and Dick Nottebart. Staff Present: Stephanie Mercandetti, Community & Economic Development Director and Josh Cole, Recreation Director. Guests: Denise Maleiko and Sue Ferioli.

1. Vice Chairman Power called the meeting to order at 6:33pm.
2. Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Mr. Nottebart and second by Mr. Goetz to approve the minutes of the July 9, 2013 meeting as written. VOTED 6-0-1

In Favor (6) – Mr. Power, Mr. Turner, Mr. Goetz, Mr. Ianno, Mr. Amaral and Mr. Nottebart.

Abstentions (1) – Mr. Shield

Mr. Amaral and Mr. Power provided some minor edits to the notes of the September 17, 2013 meeting of which there was no quorum.

A motion was made by Mr. Nottebart and seconded by Mr. Goetz to accept the notes of the September meeting as amended. VOTED 5-0-2

In Favor (5) – Mr. Power, Mr. Turner, Mr. Goetz, Mr. Amaral and Mr. Nottebart.

Abstentions (2) – Mr. Shield and Mr. Ianno

3. Ongoing Business:
 - a. Spring Brook Trail/Park Project Update (Mr. Nottebart, Mr. Power)

Mr. Nottebart and Mr. Power reported that the NUASCE students were working on the project in town all day on Saturday, October 5th; in the afternoon of Monday, October 7th and the morning of Tuesday, October 8th. Thanks to the efforts of Ed Forsberg, Mr. Rich Kadish, an excavator, was on-site to dig the holes for the helical piles. The piles needed to be driven down to 5,000lbs torque. Everything went like clockwork. Mr. Nottebart said that Bob Leblanc was very helpful. Mr. Power said next week, the prefabricated formwork is next followed by the rebar before the concrete is poured. Once this is all in place, the only thing left is for the bridge to be put in place and installed. Much of this is pro bono services secured by NUASCE. Mr. Ianno asked if those services could be

quantified to show the amount leveraged with the \$80,000 capital budget appropriation. Mr. Power replied that this information will be compiled. He also said that NUASCE will be requesting assistance from students in the landscape architecture program to help design the park. NUASCE will also develop an installation plan for the bridge. Mr. Nottebart stated that part of this overall effort was to also move the 2nd cannon over to this area. In addition, he requested that Josh Cole speak with Bob Conrad about the equipment trailer as there have been past conversations to replace the existing one with a better fabricated shed.

b. Continued Discussion on the Master Plan Implementation Progress and presentation to the Planning Board

Mr. Power mentioned that we are coming up on the 10-year horizon of the Master Plan and the next update or major revision is slated for 2014. Mr. Nottebart stated that the creation of a Master Plan is under the auspices of the Planning Board and they should sponsor it. Mr. Power added that it will need to involve the Board of Selectmen and numerous other boards and committees as its implementation is everyone's job. Mr. Turner said that we should be looking redevelopment as well as preservation and that we are losing many classic buildings in town.

Ms. Mercandetti noted that there are recent plans or projects (Open Space & Recreation, Housing Production Plan, and Priority Area Mapping Project) that could provide much of the information that would be needed for an update to the Master Plan.

Mr. Power said that we need to determine when to make a presentation to the Planning Board.

4. Correspondence: None.

5. Any Other Business:

Mr. Amaral brought up the subject of "branding" as it relates to Town Hall and the Town as a whole. Ms. Mercandetti said that it is listed in the Selectmen's Goals and Objectives. The Economic Development Commission also discussed the topic and it was suggested that perhaps the two committees meet as opposed to tackling it separately.

6. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 12th

7. Meeting adjourned at 8:23pm. A motion was made by Mr. Nottebart and seconded by Mr. Ianno to adjourn. VOTED UNANIMOUSLY

